

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.unpto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/590,290	08/23/2006	Takeo Tokiai	294806US0PCT	6806
22859 7590 04/14/2011 OBLON, SPIVAK, MCCLEILLAND MAIER & NEUSTADT, L.L.P. 1940 DUKE STREET ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314			EXAMINER	
			STANLEY, JANE L	
			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
			1767	•
			NOTIFICATION DATE	DELIVERY MODE
			04/14/2011	ELECTRONIC

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

Notice of the Office communication was sent electronically on above-indicated "Notification Date" to the following e-mail address(es):

patentdocket@oblon.com oblonpat@oblon.com jgardner@oblon.com Art Unit: 1767

Advisory Action

Applicant's after final reply and proposed claim amendments filed 29 March 2011 have not been entered. Applicant's arguments submitted on 29 March 2011 have not been addressed as they are directed to proposed claim amendments which have not been entered as they require further search and/or consideration. The rejections of claims 1-2 and 4-9 as set forth in the Final office action 29 November 2010 are maintained.

Information Disclosure Statement

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 29 March 2011 was filed after the mailing date of the Final action on 29 November 2010. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Correspondence

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JANE L. STANLEY whose telephone number is (571)270-3870. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Thurs. 7:30 am - 5 pm, alternating Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Eashoo can be reached on (571) 272-1197. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Application/Control Number: 10/590,290 Page 3

Art Unit: 1767

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

/JLS/

/Mark Eashoo/ Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 1767